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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR 1.97**

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97(b) and 1.98, Applicant for the above-identified application hereby submits a list of the following relevant arts along with the Form PTO-1449 which contains the information required by 37 CFR 1.98(c)

A. U.S. Patent No. 6,443,894 issued to Sumanaweera et al. on September 3, 2002.

The above-listed prior art is cited in the Office Action of April 20, 2007 by the Chinese Patent Office for Chinese patent application No. 200310121850.9 which is a counterpart application to the above-identified U.S. application. A copy of the Chinese Office Action and an English translation of the Office Action are enclosed. Please be advised that the above art has already been cited by Applicant on April 7, 2004.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(c)(1), the required statement is presented as follows:

Each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

In view of the above, it is therefore respectfully requested that the Patent Office make a record of these relevant arts and consider them.

Respectfully submitted,

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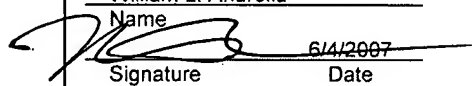
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